DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is announcing an

opportunity for the public to comment on CMS' intention to collect information from the public.

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (the PRA), federal agencies are required to publish

notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information (including

each proposed extension or reinstatement of an existing collection of information) and to allow

60 days for public comment on the proposed action. Interested persons are invited to send

comments regarding our burden estimates or any other aspect of this collection of information,

including any of the following subjects: the necessity and utility of the proposed information

collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; the accuracy of the estimated

burden; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize

the information collection burden.

DATES: Comments must be received by [OFR—insert date 60 days after date of publication

in the Federal Register]:

ADDRESSES: When commenting, please reference the document identifier or OMB control

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number. To be assured consideration, comments and recommendations must be submitted in any one of the following ways:

- Electronically. You may send your comments electronically to
 http://www.regulations.gov.
 Follow the instructions for "Comment or Submission" or "More
 Search Options" to find the information collection document(s) that are accepting comments.
 - 2. <u>By regular mail</u>. You may mail written comments to the following address:

CMS, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs

Division of Regulations Development

Attention: Document Identifier/OMB Control Number _____

Room C4-26-05

7500 Security Boulevard

Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

To obtain copies of a supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed collection(s) summarized in this notice, you may make your request using one of following:

- Access CMS' Web Site address at http://www.cms.hhs.gov/PaperworkReductionActof1995.
- 2. E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and CMS document identifier, to Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov.
- 3. Call the Reports Clearance Office at (410) 786-1326.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Reports Clearance Office at (410) 786-1326. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Contents

This notice sets out a summary of the use and burden associated with the following information collections. More detailed information can be found in each collection's supporting statement and associated materials (see ADDRESSES).

CMS-179 State Plan Under Title XIX of the Social Security Act (Base plan pages,
Attachments, Supplements to Attachments)

Under the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. The term "collection of information" is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) and includes agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA requires federal agencies to publish a 60-day notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension or reinstatement of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, CMS is publishing this notice.

Information Collection

1. Type of Information Collection Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; Title of Information Collection: Medicaid State Plan Base Plan Pages; Use: State Medicaid agencies complete the plan pages while we review the information to determine if the state has met all of the requirements of the provisions the states choose to implement. If the requirements are met, we will approve the amendments to the state's Medicaid plan giving the state the authority to implement the flexibilities. For a state to receive Medicaid Title XIX funding, there must be an approved Title XIX state plan. Form Number: CMS-179 (OMB control number 0938-0193); Frequency: Occasionally; Affected Public: State, Local, and Tribal Governments;

Number of Respondents: 56; <u>Total Annual Responses:</u> 1,120; <u>Total Annual Hours:</u> 22,400. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Annette Pearson at 410-786-6958).

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Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs

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